

MINUTES
of the Business Meeting
of the Faculty of Perinatal Psychiatry
on **12 November 2019**
21 Prescott St



No	Item
1	<p>Welcome and attendance Dr Trudi Seneviratne (Chair) Dr Jona Lewin (Finance Officer)</p> <p>Around 60 faculty members were in attendance. Dr Seneviratne welcomed everyone to the business meeting.</p>
2	<p>Minutes of the 2018 business meeting The minutes of the 2018 business meeting were approved.</p>
3	<p>Chair’s update</p> <p>Services: Dr Seneviratne reported that the Faculty had been supporting the extension of services across the UK. Dr Sue Smith added that in Wales now had a Managed Clinical Network and all seven Health Boards had perinatal mental health services.</p> <p>Policy: The Faculty had provided input into many Government consultations.</p> <p>Conference: Dr Seneviratne asked for members’ views on holding the annual conference outside London. Members stressed the importance of ease of access. Members suggested Leeds, Newcastle, Cardiff, but Manchester and Birmingham had the most votes as alternatives to London.</p> <p>Outcomes framework: Dr Seneviratne asked members to use the framework, which was published last year.</p> <p>CR197 rewrite: It was noted that Dr Cressida Manning and Dr Sarah Taha were leading the work on revising CR197.</p> <p>Global training initiative: It was noted that Dr Rina Gupta was leading on global training and members would be welcome to get involved.</p> <p>Research: The Faculty was considering setting up an MBU/community database linked to Mental Health Watch at the College.</p> <p>Elections: Dr Seneviratne announced that Dr Jo Black would take over as Faculty Chair in the summer. The voting papers for Vice-Chair and Executive Members would be circulated on 11 December.</p>

4	Finance Officer's update Dr Lewin reported that the College had changed its accounting systems and Faculties were not allowed to keep the surpluses they had built up. The aim was to make a surplus from the annual conference and spend that surplus on activities during the year. Planned expenditure for 2020 included the trainee conference, a podcast, films, more prizes and a research scholarship.
5	Future meeting The next business meeting would take place during the 2020 Faculty conference.